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MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT: Location of Labor Camps in the USSR

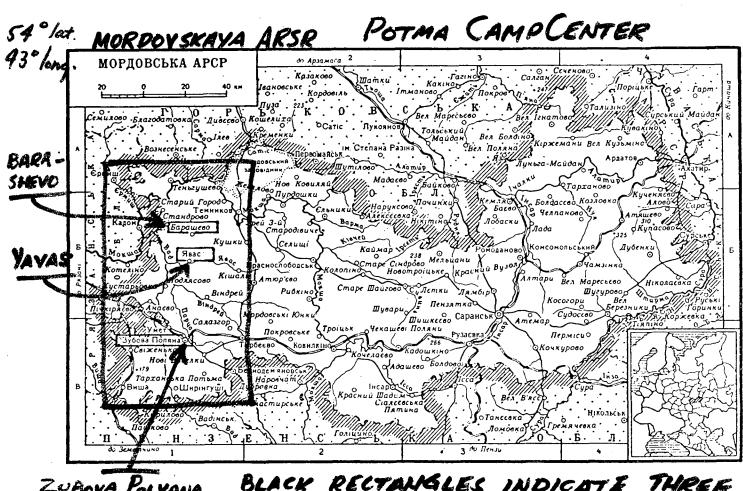
1. With reference to your request for information on the current location of labor camps in the USSR, our most recent data indicates that major camp centers are located in the regions of Tiumen, Kranoyarskiy Kray and Potma of the Mordovskaya ASSR (see maps attached). The Potma center is perhaps the most extensive and probably the main camp area within the USSR for political prisoners. Within an area of 48 kilometers at Potma there are believed to be up to thirty-six separate camps. Daniel and Sinyavsky have been reported interned in Potma Camp No. 11. Additional labor camps are believed located in the vicinity of Magadan and Perm, and in the general areas of the northern urals, Kazakstan and Tadzhikistan, although information on their precise geographic coordinates is not immediately available.

2. As you may know, although many labor camps were apparently closed during the past ten years, there has been a marked tendency by the regime of replacing camps with psychiatric hospitals for the internment of enemies of the state. Some of the more prominent of these are the Serbskiy Institute for Forensic Psychiatry and Kashchenko All-Union Institute in Moscow, Psychiatric Hospital No. 13 in Liyublino and the Leningrad Special Mental Institution. Similar institutes are reported in or near Astrakhan, Kazan and Dubno in the Poltavskaya district of the Ukraine.

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